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TO: PRIORITY DIRECTOR INFO [ ]

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SUBJECT: JOSEF MENGLE - UPDATE FROM URUGUAYAN END OF THE HUNT

REFS: A. DIRECTOR 340893  
B. 39870 7007194

1. [ ] WILL BE TASKED FOR THE LOW-KEY ALERT PER REF A.
2. [ ] SUGGESTS WE NOT GO TO LIAISON AT THIS TIME FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

A. IN COORDINATION WITH COUNTRY TEAM OTHER EMBASSY ELEMENTS AND [ ] FEEL IT NOT NEEDED TO GO TO LIAISON DUE TO PARAS 3 AND 6 BELOW.

B. GOING TO LIAISON WOULD, AS [ ] POINTED OUT IN REF B, BE INCONSISTENT WITH STATE ROGER CHANNEL GUIDANCE SENT TO COUNTRY TEAM. EMBASSY MONTEVIDEO'S REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION OF THIS, AS OPPOSED TO HQS EARLIER GUIDANCE RE POSSIBILITY OF CONTACTING LIAISON, STILL NOT YET RECEIVED FROM STATE.

3. DCM AND LEGATT INTERVIEWED SUBJECT PARA 4 AFTERNOON 17 APRIL 85 IN EMBASSY. [ ] FOREIGN MINISTER HAD TOLD [ ] ABOUT THIS COMIC, YET SERIOUS CASE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY AT 9 APRIL BRIEFING ON CUBAN REALITIES. EMBASSY FINALLY PEICED TOGETHER THAT THE [ ] FORMIN TALL TALE AND THE PARA 4 STORY/INDIVIDUAL ARE THE SAME AND ALMOST CERTAINLY IS THE MISTAKEN "MENGLE" OF PUNTA DEL ESTE REPORTED EARLIER BY LEGATT CABLE AND BY REF B. BOTTOM LINE OF 17 APRIL INTERVIEW IS THAT DCM/LEGATT DO NOT THINK THAT SUBJECT PARA 4 IS MENGLE, BUT DEA AGENT IN BUENOS AIRES CONTINUES FEEL HE MAY BE BASED ON HANDWRITING SAMPLES ALLEGEDLY OBTAINED OF SUBJECT PARA 4 AND FORWARDED TO DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE AND ALLEGEDLY FOUND, PER DEA AGENT, TOTO BE IDENTICAL TO MENGLE. AT 17 APRIL INTERVIEW, SUBJECT PARA 4 OFFERED TO SUBMIT TO FINGER PRINTING AND TO PROVIDE WHATEVER HANDWRITING SAMPLES NEEDED. PRINTS FORWARDED TO FBI BY 18 APRIL CLASSIFIED POUCH. WE DEFER TO HQS TO OBTAIN COPY OF DCM/LEGATT INTERVIEW WITH SUBJECT PARA 4. INTERVIEW REPORT FORWARDED 18 APRIL AS CONFIDENTIAL MONTEVIDEO (163A-60) TO DIRECTOR FBI 065-18 ATTENTION FUGITIVE/GENERAL GOVERNMENT CRIMES SECTION, ROOM 5062. IF YOU CANNOT OBTAIN COPY, [ ] ALL RELAY TEXT WHICH PROVIDED [ ] BY LEGATT. PLS ADVISE.

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WALTER JUAN ((BRANAA)) FACCIO SOUBERVIELLE  
DPOB: 13 MAR 24, MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY  
FATHER: JUAN ((BRANAA)) SOUBERVIELLE  
MOTHER: CECILIA ((FACCIO)) POGGIO  
SISTER: NANCY ((BRANAA)) DE FERRARI  
BROTHER: HEBER ((BRANAA)) FACCIO  
SONS: MARCEL ((BRANAA)) FORMENTO DOB 19 NOV 51- MARRIED TO  
NOEMI ((DONNER)) BLOCK.  
DANIEL ((BRANAA)) FORMENTO, DPOB 20 JUN 54, MONTEVIDEO.  
MARRIED TO GLADYS B. ESTHER FORMENTO TOSSI IN MONTEVIDEO 24 NOV 49.

## EDUCATION:

PRIMARY - PUBLIC SCHOOL 1931  
PADRES CAPUCHINOS DE NUEVO PARIS - 1934  
SAGRADA FAMILIA (1936-389  
SECONDARY- FRANCISCO BAUZA - LICEO NO. 6 -ENTERED DEC 39.

## EMPLOYMENT:

ADMINISTRATIVE JOB IN FUNSA (TIRE FACTORY)  
PROPRIETOR AND GEN MANAGER OF CURTIEMBRE BRANAA (BRANAA TANNERY)  
SINCE 1942.  
MEMBER OF CHAMBER OF TANNING INDUSTRY SINCE 1946. ON BOARD  
OF DIRECTORS SINCE 1965. PRESIDENT SINCE 1973.  
2. ONLY POSSIBLE TRACE IS FICHE MENTION OF WALTER ((BRANA)),  
WHO WAS PART OF URUGUAYAN DELEGATION TO USSR TO DISCUSS BILATERAL TRADE  
AGREEMENT IN 1971.

6. DEAGENT BUENOS AIRES ALSO CLAIMS, AS REPORTED IN  
THE DCM/LEGATT INTERVIEW CABLE OF SUBJECT PARA 4, THAT A "RELIABLE  
INFORMANT" FROM VITAL STATISTICS BUREAU IN URUGUAY HAS DETERMINED  
THAT BRANAA FACCIO HAS BEEN DEAD FOR MANY YEARS AND THAT  
INDIVIDUAL WHO WAS SURVEILLED AND PHOTOGRAPHED BY THE SOURCE-  
HERBERT ((JOHN)) AND /OR ISRAEL ((SZTEMBERG)) -IN JAN 85 HAD  
ASSUMED THE IDENTITY OF BRANAA. LEGAT AND [ ] HAVE COORDINATED  
AND DECIDED WE WILL USE UNILATERAL LIAISON PENETRATION TO  
DOUBLE CHECK ON THIS VICE INQUIRY BY EITHER LEGATT OR  
WITH LOCAL POLICE/LIAISON CONTACTS IN OFFICIAL CAPACITY.  
WILL ADVISE ANYTHING WE HAVE TO ADD.

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